VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE August 3, 2010

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

> convened at 9:00 A.M., on August 3, 2010 in Board room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judith E. Piersall, R.N., B.S.N., Chairperson

Jeanne Holmes, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: Kellie Wells, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-178251

Ms. Wells appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of

> Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 9:20 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Wells. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its

deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 9:27 A.M.

> Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Holmes moved to issue an Order of reinstate the license of Kellie Wells to

> practice as a registered nurse contingent upon Ms. Wells remaining in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Wells unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Wells within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a

formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Felecia Blackston, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-071650

Ms. Blackston appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:09 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Blackston. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:26 A.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to issue a reprimand to Felecia Blackston; impose a \$100 monetary penalty to be paid within 90 days of the date the order is entered and further, issue an Order to reinstate the certificate of Ms. Blackston to practice as a nurse aide.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Blackston unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Blackston within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Cora M. Lane, L.P.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0002-030425

Ms. Lane appeared, accompanied by her husband, Mr. Mangrum.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:57 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Lane. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:10 A.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to issue an order of reprimand to Cora Lane and issue an order to reinstate the license of Ms. Lane to practice as a practical nurse. Further, the Board is an order for Ms Lane to complete a pre-approved refresher course and submit documentation of successful completion within one year of reinstatement. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Lane unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Lane within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Anthony Cook, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-162587

Mr. Cook appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:49 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Cook. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:30 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to issue an Order to deny Anthony Cook's petition for reinstatement of his license to practice as a registered nurse in Virginia.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Cook unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Cook within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three

additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Sherri Mullins (Wald), L.P.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0002-074075

Ms. Mullins (Wald) appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:37 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Mullins (Wald). Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:49 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to issue an Order to reinstate the license of Sherri Mullins (Wald) to practice as a practical nurse contingent upon Ms. Mullins (Wald) submitting a substance abuse evaluation by a Board approved provider that demonstrates her ability to safely practice.. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Mullins (Wald) unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Mullins (Wald) within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Sherri Wiggins, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant 1401-030522

Ms. Wiggins appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:06 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Wiggins. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:13 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to issue an Order to reinstate the certificate of Sherri Wiggins to practice as a nurse aide contingent upon Ms. Wiggins remaining in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Wiggins unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Wiggins within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Rhonda Payton, C.N.A. 1401-093967

Ms. Payton appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:32 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Payton. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:39 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to offer Rhonda Payton a consent order for indefinite suspension of her nurse aide certificate for not less than one year, in lieu of a formal hearing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Payton and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Peggy Knowles, C.N.A. 1401-123171

Ms. Knowles did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:45 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Knowles. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:50 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Holmes moved to offer Peggy Knowles a consent order for revocation of the right to renew her nurse aide certificate with a finding of misappropriation of

patient property in lieu of a formal hearing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Knowles and the Board.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Deborah England, C.N.A. 1401-015703

Ms. England did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:00 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. England. Additionally, Ms. Holmes moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:10 P.M.

Ms. Holmes moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:	Ms. Ho	lmes	move	d to	offer	Deborah	England	a	consent	orde	for	indef	inite
	suspensi	ion of	her i	nurse	aide	certificate	for not	less	s than o	one ye	ar in	lieu	of a

formal hearing and to enter a finding of abuse in the Nurse Aide Registry.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. England and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S. Deputy Executive Director

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